

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 338 that would require the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to use asphalt containing crumb rubber in lieu of other materials in specified prescribed amounts on highway construction. My Administration is very supportive of finding a market for used tires, rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC) is just one promising product.

Increasing the use of recycled tires in road construction is another way that the environment and economy can prosper together. Waste tires pile up in landfills and can cause water pollution and toxic fires. Using recycled tires in road-building materials creates a market preventing the need for them to be stockpiled. RAC is a cost effective durable product that also reduces noise pollution for Californians who live near highways. By expanding the statewide market for these recycled resources, we generate jobs and put our waste to work.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger